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FEARNSIDE'S ANNOUNCEMENT!

To the Public:

On February 1st the large and elegant spring stock which we have purchased and which would do credit to a town of 40,000 inhabitants, will begin to arrive and in order to make room for them we will from now on through the month make a

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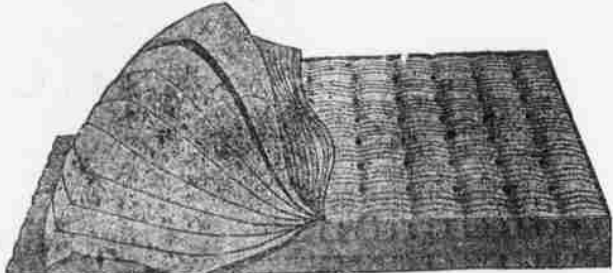
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The Klown Sirkus.

The Klown Sirkus given by the Palatka Athletic Association at the Armory on Tuesday evening proved a rousing success. The klowns were all good and deserved the many cheers of the appreciative audience. Prof. G. C. Estes, the promoter and ring master of the sirkus, is to be congratulated on the able way in which he handled the different parts. The performance commenced at 8:30 with a grand march. Following this came the tumblers, then the high jumpers and hoop flyers.

Prof. Davies, the famous organ grinder from yesteryear, then brought Joe, his trained monkey on the floor and was greeted with continued applause. The acting of the clown on the horizontal bars which followed would have done credit to a circus of larger renown. A dialogue between Prof. Smith, owner of the famous trick mule, Maud, and Prof. G. C. Estes, caused no small amount of laughter and amusement.

The boxing match between Willie and Tommy, two small boys, was very well given. Several other acts were accomplished during the performance and each was greeted with applause.

In the side show, Prof. Burt, the trick musician, rendered his music well. Mr. Finley Tucker as Miss Lita Litewright, proved to be an attractive and somewhat cunning young lady, although she was a little timid at times. Prof. Schmidt as Prince Wum Wum Lu La Lar of the Fee Fee Islands, was exceedingly good. Mr. Ryan showed that he could well act the part of the snake charmer. All in all the circus was a grand success from start to finish and the audience was well pleased. The klown costumes of Messrs. Joe Merrill, Fred Merrill, A. B. Cannon, C. Hayes, N. Riley, A. Rowlands and R. Rankin deserve special mention. The other costumes were all well gotten up.

The Athletic Association extend thanks to those who took part in the entertainment on Tuesday night and also thanks the public generally for their liberal patronage.

Called to the Pastorate.

Rev. William Wyllie, who has been serving St. Mark's Episcopal church in this city for the past several weeks, has been unanimously called to the pastorate and has accepted. The church is greatly pleased with his new rector and is looking forward to a year of great accomplishment under his leadership.

Miss Hattie N. Bury has just received a large line of shirtwaists for both winter and spring wear. Miss Bury's line of spring dress goods will soon be in the store and the stock will excel any heretofore offered in Palatka or the county, in point of up-to-dateness and variety of patterns.

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New Board Comes In.

Next Wednesday morning, the 9th inst., the present board of county commissioners will meet for the last time. The board will simply finish up some unfinished business and then make way for the new members. The retiring members of the present board are Chairman L. C. Canova of this city, and Messrs. Allen, Williams and North. Mr. Joiner is the member of the retiring board who will remain in office.

The incoming board will be composed of L. C. Stephens of Palatka, W. C. Middleton of Pomona, B. T. Solana of San Mateo, H. T. Joiner of Grandin and T. J. Rogers of Putnam Hall.

Stetson University Football.

The history of football in Stetson extends back some six years. In that time she has won four State championships and a valuable Times-Union Cup. In the last two seasons she has not been scored on by any Florida team.

As is true with all athletics at Stetson, football is simply the sport of the students in the fall of the year. No inducements of any kind are held out to players to enter the University. Professionalism in athletics is unknown—the scholastic standing insisted on before a student can participate in athletics is very high. Over 90 per cent of the men who have represented Stetson on the gridiron in the last six years knew nothing of football when they entered the University.

In all sports that involve personal contact of players, the value of the game depends on the spirit in which it is played. This is especially true in the case of football. No set of rules but depends entirely on the players and the spirit of the college they represent. The athletic spirit of Stetson stands for clean, manly sport. Nothing that is brutal or unfair is tolerated on the football field. That the men who play football at Stetson are borne out by the fact that not once in six seasons of play has her team been penalized for these offenses. Of this record, and the spirit which made it possible, Stetson is justly proud.

The University authorities believe that football, under the proper environment, is a game of great value to the students in that it combines physical, mental and moral training and development to a marked degree. The records of the numerous directors in the larger colleges show that no branch of sport has proven as beneficial to physical development as football. The layman considers that mere brute force is the only requirement of a football player. Such is far from being the case. No student can be successful in a strong moral courage in his college days. Football is a great help to develop this side of his character. Brutal courage is never adequate on the football field. The game under the proper environment calls for something higher. The player must learn to master his own emotions, to obey the conditions. He learns obedience to the will of others—his coach and captain. He learns self-denial, for the training rules are very strict, and lastly he learns to make light of the little aches and pains of life.

In spite of the attacks of sensational newspapers and people who know nothing of its merits, football has grown to be the representative college game and is strongly endorsed by everyone who knows its true value as a part of college life. At Stetson football is firmly established as a part of the college life and it is the unanimous opinion of the men who have played under her colors that the game will prove of lasting benefit to them.

Litchfield Colton, Coach for Stetson Football Team.

East Coast R'y Raises Wages.

The Florida East Coast Railway Company through its vice president and general manager, Mr. J. H. Parrott, on Wednesday of this week authorized an advance in wages of seven per cent, the increase being applicable to all employees of record on January 1st, 1907.

From all the News can learn there has always existed between this railroad and its employees the most satisfactory relations, a condition which will be still further cemented by this voluntary advance in wages. The Florida East Coast Railway is a railroad in which the entire south feels a pride. Its road-bed is of the best and its train service and equipment all that could be asked. Its management is also the most liberal. If all the railroads in the country were managed in the same excellent manner and with the same consideration for the rights of the public, the people of this country would have no ground of complaint against railroads and the "anti-corporationist" politician would have difficult sledding indeed.

ALLAH GA ZUNDH!

Leo Jacobson Wants Modest Sum of Ten Thousand Dollars Damages From Palatka News.

Says He's Been Libeled To That Extent by This Publication.

William A. Russell and M. M. Vickers, publishers of the Palatka News, were each presented on New Year's day with a summons ad respondentum, to appear at the next term of the Putnam Circuit Court to answer in an action for libel instituted by Leo Jacobson, a Jewish merchant of this city, who claims damages in the sum of \$10,000.

It is presumed that the action is taken as a result of the publication of the following, which appeared in this paper on July 27th last, the same being occasioned by this paper taking cognizance of certain sensational articles which were at that time appearing in New York and other papers of the north concerning the alleged peonage cases which were then being instituted against F. J. O'Hara, of Buffalo, N. Y.

The News at that time severely criticized the character of the government's witnesses—the men against whom it was alleged the crime of peonage had been committed.

In this alleged libelous article of the News appeared this language: "With but one or two exceptions the people of Palatka are indignant to a degree never before seen over the absolute untruth of these charges. The exceptions are those of men who are of the same race as the immigrants making the charges, and who have allowed themselves to become blinded by prejudice."

To what extent they [the complaining witnesses] have been aided in the construction of these tales is only vague conjecture.

"In a short article on affairs at the camp in question, the New York Herald of last Monday says: 'Leo Jacobson, a merchant of Palatka, Fla., says employees in the camp ARE FORCED to buy supplies at the company store and frequently their bills exceed their wages. They are compelled to work off their indebtedness.'"

"The Leonard Jacobson mentioned in Leo Jacobson, The News regrets that he should have made such a careless statement. There isn't a lumber or turpentine firm in Putnam county that FORCES its men to buy supplies at company stores. But it is probably true in these camps that laborers bills frequently exceed their wages. That is true not only of some wage workers, but of professional and business men in Palatka and every other part of the country. Mr. Jacobson could have learned the truth by investigation, something he should have done before delivering himself of this slip at one of the leading business interests of Putnam county."

The above item is the only time Mr. Jacobson's name has been mentioned in this publication. Last week we announced the unanimous verdict of acquittal accorded Mr. O'Hara by a jury in the United States Court at Jacksonville on the Monday before. In again discussing the character of the witnesses for the prosecution the News had this to say:

"The laziest and loudest of the complaining witnesses told his story to a New York reporter for a sensational paper, and once the story was published, be it to the everlasting shame of Palatka, there was at least one man in this town who, knowing nothing of the affair, did his utmost to vouch for its truth and from no other motive than that the complaining cattle were reprobate members of his own race."

It is just possible that Leo Jacobson has appropriated to himself all that attaches to the above item, and that he claims to be the only man in this town who, knowing nothing of the affair, did his utmost to vouch for the truth [of the charges] and from no other motive than that the complaining cattle were reprobate members of his own race. He can do as he pleases, and probably knows as well as any one whether or not the coat fits.

But the News does say this, and at the proper time will prove, that Leo Jacobson DID REPEATEDLY AND PUBLICLY CHARGE THAT F. J. O'HARA WAS "GUILTY OF BOTH PEONAGE AND EXTREME CRUELTY," statements that are common property on the streets of Palatka.

If Leo Jacobson has been damaged he has no one to blame but his own overzealous tongue, a member which spat venom and righteous indignation at Mr. O'Hara whenever opportunity offered—up to the time when the News tendered its called for admonition and protest.

New Plaining Mill.

The Maul Manufacturing company of this city has gone extensively into plaining mill work, and with new and modern machinery the company is now turning out all kinds of mouldings and dressed lumber.

The company will also be in position the coming season to supply a very considerable quantity of its patent orange box hoops, made from cypress. These hoops add materially to the neatness of an orange box, and a neat package is always an asset to the shipper. The company is also making vegetable crates and other material for the shipments of Florida produce.

REV. CARLENE P. B. MARTIN, LL. D. Of Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when first arising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm which produces a cough and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Chamberlain's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung trouble." Sold by Ackerman-Stewart Drug Co.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
Cures Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough.

WELAKA.

The Christmas trees here were a big success, every one thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Eagin spent Christmas with friends and relatives in Jacksonville.

Mrs. E. S. Green gave a Christmas social on Wednesday evening to the young folks. Everyone enjoyed themselves immensely and thanked Mrs. Green for the good time.

Dr. W. A. Brewster returned Thursday on the Clyde Line from a trip to Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Hutchinson and children returned Thursday night on the Clyde Line from Jacksonville where they spent Christmas with relatives.

It is said that the cold snap did not hurt the orange trees here very much.

Everyone extends to Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Morris their sincere sympathy in the loss of their sweet little baby, Bessie, one of the twins who died on Christmas Eve. She was one of the sweetest little babies and all who had seen her loved her very much.

Miss Letha Mack and sister who visited her and spent Christmas with her, made a trip to St. Augustine during the week.

W. M. Williams and Miss Bertha Morrison went to Fruitland one day during the week.

On Christmas Eve Mrs. Ada Higginbotham was united in marriage to Mr. Crawford of Lake Butler, Fla. Only relatives and a few intimate friends attended the wedding which took place at her home on Seventh avenue. Mr. A. O. Hiseock performed the ceremony. Mrs. Crawford will reside in Lake Butler in the future.

Will Allen, of Crescent City, spent Sunday here with friends.

Miss Caroline Bryant will return to Sutherland on Thursday to resume her studies.

Master Clarence and Miss Adelaide Morris returned Saturday via Clyde Line from Jacksonville where they spent Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. F. C. Cochran gave a New Year party at her home on River front to bid good-bye to the Old Year and welcome the New. Hearts and flinch and other games were indulged in, ice cream and cake were served and Miss Smith treated all to some very nice selection of music. Those who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Cochran, Miss Smith, Mrs. J. Dallow, Miss Bertha Morrison, Letha Mack, Viola and Nettie McLeod, Rosa Holley, Carolyn Bryant and Helen Cochran; Messrs. W. M. Williams, Loddie McLeod, Duff McLeod, Dr. W. A. Brewster, Ervin and Justin Dallow and Frederick Cochran.

The young ladies gave a New Year picnic on New Year's day in the Oak Grove near Mr. Cochran's place. Young and old were invited and attended and altogether everyone had a very pleasant time indeed.

Misses Nettie and Alice Hiseock left Sunday evening for Spring Grove where Miss Alice will teach school the rest of the winter.

It is rumored that there will be a marriage in Welaka in the near future. Some one intends to begin the New Year right.

Obituary.

Rosa Neata Baker was born December 21st, 1891, and departed this life December 25th, 1906, at the age of fifteen years and four days. She leaves a father, one brother, and three sisters to mourn her loss.

She was born in this community, and was beloved by all who knew her. Always cheerful, she had a smile and a friendly word for all with whom she came in contact. She was an obedient daughter, a loving sister, and a true friend, and one whom the entire community will mourn.

Perhaps her life can best be summed up in the words of our Savior: "She hath done what she could." —By a Girl Friend.

Gen. Lee's Anniversary.

The Board of Public Instruction of Putnam county requests that as many of the public schools of the county as can conveniently do so will observe the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of General Robert E. Lee, January 19th, 1907. This noble character of Southern birth is very worthy of our highest and most careful consideration.

Therefore teachers will arrange to celebrate this event by appropriate exercises which will be best suited as a recognition of the worth and sacrifice of this Christian gentleman, scholar, soldier and hero.

As January 19th comes on Saturday, we would suggest that this celebration take place on Friday, January 18th. Respectfully,
L. K. TRUCKER, Superintendent.

A Christmas Wedding.

Miss Laura Josephine Rogers and Mr. Harry Potter were united in marriage by Rev. Father P. Barry at the home of Mrs. Josephine Speck, the bride's sister, on Christmas eve, in the presence of relatives and a few intimate friends.

The bride is a young lady well and favorably known in Palatka, where she grew to womanhood. She is the youngest daughter of the late M. H. Rogers. Mr. Potter holds a position with the Merrill-Stevens Engineering company in Jacksonville, in which city the bride and groom will in future reside. Mr. Potter was formerly for a year connected with the Palatka Gas Light & Fuel Co. Mr. and Mrs. Potter left for Jacksonville on Christmas morning.

Big Diamond Sale.

On Tuesday of this week, W. S. Fry the jeweler of this city sold two diamond rings, the price for the two being \$700. The larger of the two rings, which sold for \$500, was a brilliant gem of 2 1/2 and one-sixteenth carats. This is one of the biggest sales of diamonds made in Palatka in some time.